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JUNE MEETING.

A stated monthly meeting of the Society was held this day, June 6, at 11 o'clock A.M.; the President, the Hon. ROBERT C. WINTHROP, in the chair.

The Librarian announced donations from the Town of Bolton; the American Numismatic and Archæological Society; the New-Hampshire Historical Society; the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of Philadelphia; the Rhode-Island Historical Society; the Smithsonian Institution; the Society of Antiquaries of London; the Suffolk Institute of Archæology and Natural History; the Editors of the "Advocate"; the Proprietors of the "Protestant Churchman"; John Appleton, M.D.; Geo. E. Chambers, Esq.; Mr. Elbridge H. Goss; Mrs. Phebe A. Hanaford; Charles H. Hart, Esq.; Rush C. Hawkins, Esq.; William B. Orne, Esq.; Henry Phillips, Jr., Esq.; Mr. Oliver J. Rand; John H. Sheppard, Esq.; Rev. Edwin M. Stone; Rev. Hale Townsend; Col. Charles Whittlesey; Frederic R. Woodward, Esq.; John S. Wright, Esq.; Mr. Thomas B. Wyman; and from Messrs. Deane, Lawrence, Metcalf, C. Robbins, and Winthrop, of the Society.

The President now spoke of his intended absence abroad, saying that he should ever bear the Society in mind, and hoped, before many months, to resume his duties here.

He remarked, that, at the last meeting, our Roll of Resident Members was full. Since then, one name —

that of Lucius Manlius Sargent, Esq. — had been stricken from it. He also referred to the death of the distinguished Honorary Member, Sir Archibald Alison, Bart., D.C.L.; and said that he was not then prepared to speak at length respecting either of these deceased members. By the authority of the Standing Committee, he offered the following resolution: —

Resolved, That the Society have heard with deep regret of the death of our Resident Member, Lucius Manlius Sargent, Esq.; and that the President be requested to appoint one of our number to prepare the customary memoir for the Society's "Proceedings."

The President appointed Dr. Shurtleff to prepare the memoir of Mr. Sargent for the Proceedings of the Society.

The President communicated to the Society two pedigrees, — one of the family of Lucas, and one of the family of Hoby, — which he had received from J. J. Howard, Esq., of Blackheath, England, a Corresponding Member.

He also presented a deed — executed by Sir William Forth, Kt., and Dame Dorothy, his wife, to "Sir Edward Cooke [Coke], Kt., Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas," dated March 28, 7 Jacobi [1610] — of the woods, &c., called Westhaywood, belonging to the manor of Hitcham, Suffolk.

The seal of Sir William Forth bears the arms of Forth; and that of Dorothy, the armorial bearings of Gilbert, so far as they can be deciphered.

The President also presented a copy, in bronze, of the "seal of the Golden Bull." A printed paper which accompanied it states, that "the fundamental law of the

German Empire, known under the name of "the Golden Bull," was published at the diets held in the year 1356, at Nuremburg and Mentz, under the Emperor Charles IV. Its aim was to fix whatever relates to the election and coronation of the Emperor, the privileges of the Princes Electors, and other objects concerning the interior peace of the Empire. The name of Golden Bull was given to it on account of the golden seal (in Latin, *bullæ*) affixed to it." An authentic copy of the Golden Bull "still exists in the archives of the free city of Frankfort."

The President also presented to the Society a copy of the Journals of the First, Second, and Third Sessions of the Senate of the United States of America. In one of these volumes is this inscription: "Given to me by Paine Wingate, the last surviving member of the 1st senate of the U.S., being at the time I saw him 98 years old. Rob't C. Winthrop."

He also gave two volumes of his accounts, as Speaker, of the pay and mileage of the members of the House of Representatives of the First and Second Sessions of the Thirtieth Congress.

The President spoke of the death of the Hon. Elijah Hayward, a corresponding member of the Society, which had occurred some time since, and which, by an oversight, he had omitted to notice before. He spoke of a tribute which had been paid to him by our associate, Mr. Ellis Ames, in the Genealogical Register, vol. xxi., p. 86, from which we learn that he died on the 22d of September, 1864, in his 78th year.

A letter from Dr. ASA MILLET, of Bridgewater, was

read, presenting to the Society a small miniature, supposed by a late owner of it to be a likeness of one of the Governors Winslow. Dr. Millet calls attention to its resemblance to the pictures of Dr. Isaac Winslow.

The thanks of the Society were ordered to Dr. Millet, for this gift to the Cabinet.

Dr. ELLIS, after a few remarks, referring to the President's intended visit to Europe, submitted the following Resolution : —

Resolved, That the President of this Society (the Hon. Robert C. Winthrop), now about to sail for Europe, and our associates, the Rev. Samuel K. Lothrop, D.D., and Samuel A. Green, M.D., now in Europe, be authorized and requested, as opportunity may serve, to represent this Society at the Archæological Congress to be held in Antwerp, in August next, or on any proper occasion during their residence abroad ; and that they be empowered and requested to negotiate for this Society any exchanges of publications with foreign Societies, and to act for the interest of this Society in any way they shall find expedient during their absence.

This Resolution was unanimously adopted.

The President called attention to the first part of the volume of Proceedings, consisting of 195 pages, which had been placed upon the table, and stated that the entire volume would probably be issued before many weeks.

Mr. WATERSTON read some extracts from letters of Mrs. Arnold, the wife of Benedict Arnold, the traitor, written during her residence in England.

Dr. HOLMES read a letter which he had received from our associate Dr. Robbins, calling his attention to a paper containing a curious medical theory, which Dr. Robbins had noticed among some Mather papers placed in his

hands by Mr. Winthrop. Dr. Holmes made some comments on the medical theory referred to.

The President remarked that the Society were favored with the presence, at this meeting, of two Corresponding Members; namely, the Hon. Hugh B. Grigsby, LL.D., of Virginia, and Benj. R. Winthrop, Esq., of New York.

He also called the attention of the Society to a large photograph likeness of our late esteemed associate, George Livermore, brought into the room that morning, and intended to be hung in the Dowse Library, beneath the picture of Mr. Everett, by Stuart.

The President referred to the recent action of the Legislature relative to the three volumes of "Hutchinson Papers" in the possession of the Society; and, after some discussion, it was *voted*, that the subject of the claim to these papers by the Commonwealth be referred to a special committee, consisting of the Chairman of the Standing Committee, and Professors Washburn and Parker.

Brantz Mayer, Esq., the President of the Maryland Historical Society, and John Bruce, F.S.A., of London, were elected Corresponding Members.

Dr. ELLIS again referred to the intended absence abroad of the President of the Society, and said he was sure the President would carry with him the best wishes of all the members for a successful tour and for a safe return.

Professor WASHBURN earnestly supported the remarks of Dr. Ellis; and the President briefly replied, with thanks for the kind sentiments expressed towards him.